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COLLISION BETWEEN TRAM-
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A collision occurred between a truck and two trams at Praya East, early this morning, and as a result the conductor in charge appeared before Mr J. H. Kemp, at the Magistracy, to-day, on a charge of negligence. Mr A. Coates, of the Tramway Co., appeared to prosecute. It appeared that one car came into contact with the truck which swung on to the line and a car coming in the opposite also collided with the truck. Defendant was fined \$1 and ordered to pay \$33 compensation.

ALLEGED ASSAULT.

A native excise officer summoned one boatman and two boatmen, before Mr J. R. Wood, at the Magistracy to-day, for alleged assault. In his evidence complainant described how he was assaulted.

Cross-examined by Mr Almada d'Castro complainant said he was wearing his badge. He did not strike the male defendant, but tried to persuade him to accompany him (complainant) to a European constable when others shouted "Strike" and defendant did so. The second female twisted his arm and she was assisted by the other female. This latter defendant pushed his foot into the harbour.

Questioned by His Worship complainant stated the second female defendant did not attack him.

A witness stated he was pushed into the water and he "went to the bottom of the sea and came up again." (Laughter.)

Mr Almada d'Castro contended that complainant and his folks went on board to search for opium and assaulted defendants, who had asked complainant to produce his badge.

A fine of \$10 was imposed on the male defendant and the two females were fined \$5 each.

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"The Silver King"

The attraction at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night was "The Silver King," with which the name of the late Mr Wilson Barrett is inevitably associated. There was a crowded house, additional interest being manifested in the production by reason of the fact that the Kowloon Amateurs have chosen this play for their next effort.

There can be no doubt that Saturday's performance was of a very high standard of merit, and it will doubtless be remembered as one of the finest pieces of work seen on the local boards for many a day. Those who did not witness "The Silver King" as translated by the Bandmann Company indeed missed a treat. Miss Florence Hamer in undertaking the portrayal of the character of Mrs. Denver came in for loud and deserved applause again and again. This gifted actress, by her splendid study, appealed strongly to the emotions of the audience and perhaps the highest tribute that can be paid her was the remark made by a lady to the effect that the only circumstance that kept her from shedding tears was the fact of others of the audience smothering the pathos of everything by cheers. Miss Hamer's pathetic appeal to Captain Herbert Skinner on behalf of her sick child was grand.

Daniel Jukes (Mr Thomas Sydney), as an old servant of the Denver family, was perfect, and much merit was evoked when Tahitha Durden (Miss Blanche Forsythe) endeavoured to hook him as a matrimonial prize. As for Mr Charles Vane's representation of Wilfred Denver, one cannot speak too highly of his work. His impersonation of a difficult part was admirable in every respect. The other parts, especially that of Spider, were also well filled.

As to the play itself "The Silver King" is well-known as being of a high moral value, and it points a strong lesson. The last scene closed with Virtue richly rewarded, and happy reunion of father, mother, and child after years of sorrow and suffering.

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AUCTIONS.**11 a.m.—Auction of Japanese Curio-
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2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Curios,
at Mr. Goo, P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.**AMUSEMENTS.**

9 p.m.—Performance at City Hall.

General Memoranda.WEDNESDAY, December 16.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Japanese Silks
Embroideries, &c., at Messrs Hughes &
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8 p.m.—Concert at St. Andrew's Hall.

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HONGKONG, MONDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1908.

SQUARE PEGS IN ROUND HOLES

All men are liable to make mistakes, to

place at times square pegs in round

holes. When Mr. Asquith formed his

Cabinet he made on the whole a very

good selection but he did not quite

succeed in every instance in finding the

right man for particular post. One

of his mistakes was undoubtedly the

appointment of Mr. HERBERT GLASTONE

to the office of Home Secretary, perhaps

the most responsible position within

his gift. Mr. Glastone, a very estimable

man, in private life, suffers from

being the son of a brilliant father.

Gunner Fay met with a nasty accident

on Saturday afternoon. As far as he can be

learned the unfortunate man jumped on

the wrong side of a tram near the Praya

East Hotel, and in doing so his leg came

into contact with a car approaching from

the opposite direction, and which apparently

had not noticed him. Gunner Fay

was pulled to the ground and received

severe injuries to the head, and was

immediately removed to the Military

Hospital.

At St. John's Church on Sunday

morning, the Right Rev. Archbishop Kelly,

of Sydney, Australia, who is returning from

the Eucharistic Congress at London, deliv-

ered a powerful sermon to a very large

congregation, the subject of the address

being "The peace and unity of the Roman

Catholic Church." The Benediction of the

Holy Sacrament concluded the service.

Te-night His Grace will deliver a lecture

at the Catholic Union Reading Room at

9.15 p.m. when the public are invited to attend.

A special message from Shanghai to

the Manila *Cabildos* says:—District At-

torney Bassett has tendered his resigna-

tion. Judge Wilsey has issued a state-

ment to the press in which he declares

that he tendered his resignation on Novem-

ber 10 to take effect on January 1. He

adds that he

THE CHINA MAIL.

QUESTION OF DOMICILE.

An Important Judgment.

In the Supreme Court, to-day, the Chief Justice (Sir F. Pigott) gave judgment on the important point as to the jurisdiction of the Court raised in the bankruptcy proceedings of Chan Yu Shan.

His Lordship in giving judgment said—The questions raised in this case which concern the bankruptcy jurisdiction of this court over foreigners are of the utmost importance. I have hinted at them on one or two occasions but this is the first on which they have given rise to serious argument and I shall deal with the matter as fully as possible because a large proportion of the trade of the colony is done with Chinaman carrying on business here and in nine-tenths of the bankruptcy petitions which come before the court the debtor is a Chinaman, and therefore the fundamental principles on which English bankruptcy jurisdiction is based are involved in almost every case which I have to deal. The importance of the question arises from the fact that where a Chinaman trades as so many of them do in other parts of the East as well as Hongkong it is almost impossible to localise the effect of a bankruptcy in the colony. I do not think there can be much dispute as to the facts except as to one point. In this moment the point is not really of first importance because he is a Chinaman and I do not see much evidence that he ever traded generally, though he appears to have incurred debt in the colony. It is however advisable that I should express an opinion on the point. Was the debtor a resident in Hongkong who went down to Annan to buy cinnamon which he then brought up to the colony to dispose of or was he a resident in Annan who bought cinnamon there and brought up to the colony? These are the two points on which the parties take facts. I think it is probable that he had done this on previous occasions but I do not think that is material. Having dealt with the general law his Lordship considered the facts of the case and in doing so said—The debtor certainly was not domiciled in the colony and as I have said on a previous occasion I do not suppose there are 100 Chinamen in the colony who are domiciled here, as the larger number of those who reside here all desire and intend to return to China whenever they have made enough money to consider themselves comfortable. On the question of residence his Lordship held that the debtor's occupation of the colony was temporary, that it was only to last till the business for which he came to the colony was concluded, and he found great difficulty in seeing how a residence which was admittedly temporary could at the same time be described as "ordinary." Continuing his Lordship said—"The important question is was this a 'place of business' in the colony? What is required is not merely carrying on business but a place of business, which means a place where the debtor does business. Coming back again to the facts of this case one point is quite clear—if a person merely employs a commission agent, consigning his goods to him for sale, that does not make the commission agent's premises his client's place of business. I am also clear that the cubicle was not a place of business *per se*. The evidence is very slender as to business transacted there; if there had been many transactions, in fact any business done there, the owner of the house would certainly have given such more evidence of placing his business there. The only place of business which the debtor could have had were the premises of the Kwang Mo where the clients met him and concluded their bargains. The vital point to consider therefore is this—Must the place of business belong or be under the control of the debtor? On this point I am far from clear.

The key to the subject is that remark of Lord Justice Brett in *Hecquard*: the extension of the bankruptcy jurisdiction to foreigners is made on account of the "hold" they have on the country, and each case of doubt is to be answered by the question, "A hold on the country?" A "hold on the country" means I imagine something which is visible to other persons who trade in the country which induces them to give the debtor credit. . . . What I think is the meaning of the phrase "hold on the country" is that it is such a position which will induce people by reason of it to give a person credit. It seems to me that if a man is doing business such as concluding bargains for the sale of his goods at a place where he may be seen doing it, the place of business is established and that he has business to do and that is the place where he does it and on the strength of that people may give him credit. If they do then that place becomes for the purpose of bankruptcy law to be a "place of business." This seems to be the case where a man sends goods to be sold on commission, leaving the business entirely in the hands of the commission agent, and one who intermeddles in the eyes of the business world with the making of the bargains. It is therefore the fact that there are other creditors which brings the question, the power of the bankruptcy jurisdiction in the country, whether they can justify their claims is another matter with which I have not now to deal. I am therefore of opinion that this court has jurisdiction to entertain this petition and that the opposition must be rejected. In view of the uncertainty of this question which has been raised I do not reject it with costs.

THE CONVENT BAZAAR.

There was opened at the City Hall this afternoon the annual bazaar in connection with the French Convent. A splendid collection of articles was on view, and during the afternoon His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard paid a visit to the Hall. The following ladies kindly gave valued assistance—Mrs Gresson, Mrs Pollock, Madame Marly, Miss Wait, Madame Vojoie, Miss Lyon, Mrs Lammer, Mrs Tonkin, Mrs Hart, Mrs Bolles, Mrs Osborne, Mrs Bird, Miss Beattie, Mrs Mackay, Mrs Gok, Mrs Soth, Mrs Grange, Misses Rodger, Miss Lampert, Madame Brice, Mrs Van Houten, Mrs May, Mrs Hancock, Mrs Berindeau, Mrs Chamberlain, Mrs Bailey, Mrs Tweedie, Miss Hooper, Mrs Leslie, Mrs Stedman, Mrs Allen, Mrs Walker, Mrs Tait, Miss Picard, Mrs Ede, Mrs Becker, Misses Seth, Mrs Coppin, Miss Shaw, Miss Tait, Mrs Grone, Miss Lord, Mrs Vernon, Miss Layton, Miss Potts, Mrs Slade, Mrs Finch, Mrs Peter, Mrs Cochrane, Mrs Fremantle, Mrs Beassey.

TO REVOKE A RECEIVING ORDER.

Before the Chief Justice (Sir Francis Pigott) at the Supreme Court, in Bankruptcy jurisdiction to-day, the case came on of Wei Lung Shang, ex parte Yuen Hing, which was an application for the revocation of a receiving order.

Mr Hastings appeared for the Tai Wan Bank, Ltd., a judgment creditor; Mr Atkinson for the petitioning creditor; and Mr Dunnys on behalf of debtor.

Mr Hastings said the question of the domicile of the debtor arises. On behalf of the judgment creditor he (Mr Hastings) now asked that the receiving order made on Nov 6th be rescinded, the grounds being (1) that the debtor was not domiciled in the Colony at the date of the presentation of the petition; (2) that the debtor had committed an act of bankruptcy on which the petition could be founded; (3) that after payment of the costs of the proceedings there would be no substantial assets for division amongst the creditors; and (4) that the petitioning creditor had been in collusion with debtor, and was thus proceeding in abuse of the process of the court.

His Lordship said he did not think 3 and 4 were sound grounds; there were questions for the Official Receiver to deal with.

Mr Hastings—I thought it was here on the good ground I could argue on all grounds.

His Lordship—I don't think so.

Mr Dunnys—I say the first ground is the only ground on which his Lordship can hear any argument on. The second one has already been before the court.

Mr Hastings said undoubtedly the first and second grounds were the main ones, but the most important question was that of domicile.

Mr Atkinson—Your Lordship raised the question of domicile and was satisfied that there was domicile.

His Lordship—But I think I said something about the impossibility of Chinese being domiciled in the colony.

Mr Hastings said his friends seemed to assume what was a quite wrong state of affairs in reference to debtor's domicile of origin—apparently they thought that because he was born in Hongkong his origin of domicile was there. But debtor swore that the whole time he had a family house in Canton; and therefore he (Mr Hastings) submitted he never had acquired a Hongkong domicile at all. But assuming for sake of argument that he did, there was no doubt but that for three years he had one family at Canton, and no family at Hongkong. And in his statement of affairs and this showed his debts to be \$243,000, and now he came to the court and stated that his friends had met and subscribed \$2,000 so that the Official Receiver might white-wash him. In other words, he proposed to pay 1/3 in the £ or 3ds of a cent in the dollar for the privilege of being whitewashed and coming back here to do business again.

His Lordship—The only question is that he was born in Hongkong and is therefore a British subject.

Mr Hastings—I submit that does not affect the point at all, because birth in a place does not give domicile.

His Lordship—No, but it alters the whole basis of jurisdiction. It makes this difference—that whereas with regard to a foreigner an act of bankruptcy committed elsewhere than in England is of no avail, yet with regard to a British subject it is good.

Mr Atkins spoke for the petitioning creditor; and in the course of argument his Lordship said he should never have granted the receiving order if he had thought that the debtor was not a British subject.

Mr Dunnys—Your Lordship is utterly at sea—I say it with all respect—as to there being only 1/3 in the £. It is not so.

Mr Dunnys argued at length that in debtor's case there had been no intention of alienage, saying debtor had sworn that he never wished to become a Chinese citizen.

His Lordship—The position of a Chinaman does not vary much from the position of an Indian in other British Colonies. You cannot hold it in law that he is domiciled in each of India because he has always a great desire to return to his home.

After further discussion, his Lordship intimated that he would reserve judgment.

CORRESPONDENCE.

GRANDMOTHERLY LEGISLATION.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Sir—I wonder if it has struck our legislators that in the event of the Ex-patriating Ordinance becoming law, the corollary will be the necessity for another ordinance to prevent persons who cannot afford the luxury of handkerchief—*in the equally offensive habit*—of blowing their noses in an uncivilized manner and wiping their fingers on the nearest lamp-post. What a chance for Manchester and enterprising Piece Goods Merchants. If you will kindly publish this letter as a friendly hint to the Government you will greatly oblige,

Yours faithfully,

HONGKONG, Dec. 14th, 1908.

DISCOVERY OF SMUGGLED REVOLVERS.

In view of the constant rumours of the movement of revolutionaries, it is especially interesting to the Vice-roy of Canton to know that in the district of Shinghien three cases of revolvers have been found. They were passed through the Lekin office as a case of books. These revolvers were of special make, and are said to be capable of firing thirteen rounds without being recharged. It has not yet transpired from whom they were sent, nor to whom they were consigned. The authorities wired the news of their discovery to the Viceroy and the latter telegraphed to the Governor General for further search to bring the weapons down to Canton. Further special officers have been deputed to discover what may be known of the history of the three boxes, whilst the shihching Taito and his subordinates have been allowed fifteen days to find out something satisfactory about the matter, if they fail it is threatened that they will suffer for their incompetency. Meanwhile it is significant that the boxes were passed through two Lekin stations before being discovered.

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SPORTING.

Cricket.

HONGKONG v. KOWLOON.

These two teams met at Kowloon on Saturday and a very pleasurable game was the result. Hongkong batted first and the individual scoring was not very high, C. A. Fowler having 15 to his credit, while the total number of runs obtained by Hongkong was 90. Kowloon did much better putting up a fine score of 120, of which Lieut Haughton was responsible for 53, while Lieut Lipmann and Major Chitty, the latter not out, made 14 each. The scores were:

HONGKONG.

Capt. Baird, b Lipmann .. 11
Lt. Sill, b Makin .. 12
A. Low, b Lipmann .. 16
A. Mackenzie, b Lipmann .. 10
E. A. Irving, c Haughton, b Lipmann .. 7
P. F. Dashwood, b Alderson, b .. 8
Total .. 90

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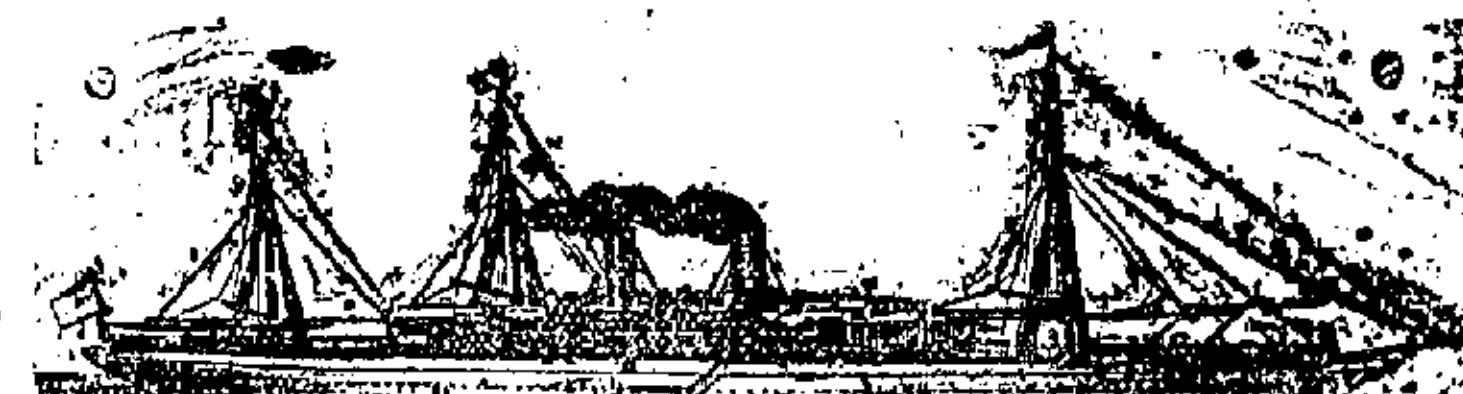
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SATURDAY, MAR. 15	APRIL 1	
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TONS TONS Navy Saturday 18/9	Saturday, 18/9	Saturday, 18/9	Saturday, 18/9	Saturday, 18/9
DELTA 8000 Dec. 26	MONGOLIA 10900 Jan. 23	INDIA 8000 Jan. 23	INDIA 8000 Feb. 6	Feb. 13
ASSAYE 7500 19/9 Jan. 9	VICTORIA 7000 Feb. 20	VICTORIA 7000 Feb. 20	MORE 11000 Mar. 6	Feb. 27
DELHI 8000 Jan. 23	DEVANHA 8000 Feb. 6	DEVANHA 8000 Feb. 6	MOOLTAN 10000 Mar. 20	Mar. 27
BRITANNIA 7000 Feb. 20	CHINA 8000 April 3	CHINA 8000 April 3	CHINA 8000 April 10	April 24
DELTA 8000 Mar. 6	MAULWA 10000 May 1	MAULWA 10000 May 1	CHINA 8000 May 8	May 15
MACEDONIA 10500 Mar. 20	(through steamer)	(through steamer)	CHINA 8000 May 15	May 22
DELHI 8000 April 3	MONGOLIA 10000 May 1	MONGOLIA 10000 May 1		
DEVANHA 8000 April 17				

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at Port Said.

Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time of booking.

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SICILLA 7000	about	about
NILE 7000	Dec. 26 (18/9)	Feb. 28
BUNDA 5100	Jan. 13	March 13
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MALTA 6000	Feb. 24	April 10
NORE 7000	March 10	April 24

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STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIFANAS ...	SHANGHAI	Second half December.	JAVA	2nd half of December.
TJIMAHY	JAVA	First half of January.	SHANGHAI	First half of January.
TJILIWONG	JAPAN	First half of January.	JAVA	First half of January.
TJIKINI.....	JAVA	First half of February.	JAPAN	First half of Jan.
TJILATJAP...	JAVA	Do.	SHANGHAI	First half of February.
TJIBODAS ...	JAVA	Do.	JAPAN	Do.

THE Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Northern Indian ports on through Bills of Lading.

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Hongkong, September 24, 1908.

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FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER.

The postponed feast of St. Francis Xavier, the Apostle of India, was held on Sunday at the Church of St. Francis Xavier, at Wan Chai. The Very Rev. Fr. De Marin officiated at the morning service. In the evening Vespers were sung, and the officiating clergy was the Rev. Fr. Spada, assisted by the Rev. Fr. Carabelli and a sub-deacon. The Right Rev. Bishop Pozzoni preached a short sermon in English, dwelling on the Apostolic life of St. Francis Xavier. The service concluded with the Benediction of the Holy Sacrament by the Bishop.

FAITH, A MEANS OF VICTORY.

On Sunday morning there was a very large congregation at St. Peter's Seamen's Church, when the Bishop of Victoria preached an eloquent sermon. This Lordship said in part:—Our faith has over been in conflict with the world. The Jewish and Roman worlds crucified the Christ and persecuted the Christians; even to-day every Christian has to contend against the world in some form or other. And what is this world? It is not the planet, nor humanity, for there is no inherent evil in them, but the context seems to suggest that it is those transitory powers which make the commandments of God grievous. This world is ever changing; it is different to individuals and in various ages; sometimes it is violence, sometimes idolatry, in the time of our Lord it was hypocrisy; in the Middle Ages superstition; in the eighteenth century infidelity; the nineteenth love of money; perchance in this twentieth century it is loss of pleasure. Whatever may be the Christian, in every place and in every age, may overcome it. He is not bound by its maxims, enslaved by its pleasures, obscured by its treasures nor alarmed by its threats. Our faith is the means of his victory. Now what do we mean by our faith? It is not our acceptance of Christian dogmas. Many a slave of the world can conscientiously recite the Apostle's Creed. It is not blind submission to the Church's Authority—many a devoted Churchman finds that he does not escape from the spirit of the world when he becomes a Christian. It is, first, a spiritual vision of Unseen Reality.

Moses triumphed by faith, for we are told he endured, as seeing Him who is invisible. The tendency of our day is to make so much of material things, that a vision of spiritual things is regarded as superfluous, but it is not. A vision of things spiritual helps us in our life below. As Bishop Westcott said:—"It is by the introduction of the spiritual and the eternal that we obtain a true standard for things and so can overcome the temptations which spring out of narrow, earthly, temporal interests. Secondly, the universal faith is enforced by a personal God. By it we are enabled to find a loving Father, a present Saviour, a true Conforter. The incarnation is to us, a real event, the resurrection an actual fact, and the Presence of God a great reality, a restraining influence and an inspiring power. This faith looks back to the great triumph of the past—it looks forward to the time when the kingdoms of this world shall certainly become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Anointed."

The Bishop's conclusion enforced his point by showing the contrast between

Pythagoras' method of resisting the deadly charms of the sirens, namely, by stepping with wax the ears of his sailors, and that of the Argonauts, who had on board their vessel Cupidus with his lyre, whose music was more enchanting than that of the sirens. And so we overcome the world, not by forcibly stopping our ears to the world's attractions, but by having wills us the all-absorbing Presence of the Christ, and by having our ears ever open to the greater attraction and sweeter music of His voice, and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even now.

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On the 21st and 22nd December, 1908, commencing each day at 2.30 p.m., in the

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N.B.—The attention of the public is drawn to this opportunity of purchasing valuable works of art which are the finest that have ever been offered for sale in this Colony.

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Hongkong, December 14, 1908.

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BETHLEHEM of the above ORDER are
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Hongkong, December 14, 1908. — 1683

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Hongkong, December 14, 1908. — 1681

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT
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ESTATE OF BEN HOPE LEE, DECEASED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all
creditors and debtors of BEN HOPE
LEE, late of Canton, China, deceased, to
present their claims with vouchers or make
their payment to the assignee at the
American Office, 2nd Floor, Canton,
China, on or before APRIL 1, 1909.

WILLARD H. HULL,
American Vice Consul-General,
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THE
OCEAN STEAMSHIP
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Notice to Consignees.

CONSIGNEES of cargo ex

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HOLTS WHARF.

Hongkong, December 14, 1908. — 1682

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr.
Tighe of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 14th at 11.45 a.m.—The barometer
has fallen moderately over China, and risen
slightly over S.E. Japan and the Bonins.

The area of low pressure remains over
E. Manchuria, and the highest pressure
lies over the Yangtza valley.

Gradients are slight along the China
coast, and moderate mornion may be ex-
pected in the Formosa Channel and fresh
monsoon over the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours end-
ing at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon
to-morrow:—

FORECAST DISTRICT.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N.E.
winds, moderate; fair, misty.

2.—Formosa Channel: Same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hong-
kong and Lantau: Same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hong-
kong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, December 14, 1908.

On London—
Bank Wire 1/4
On demand 1/4
30 days' sight 1/4
4 months' sight 1/4
Documentary, 4 months' sight 1/4
On Paris—
On demand 211
Credits, 4 months' sight 218
On Berlin—
On demand 172
On New York—
On demand 402
Credit, 60 days' sight 42
On Bombay—
Wire 126
On demand 136
On Calcutta—
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On demand 126
On Singapore—
On demand 724
On Manila—
On demand 824
On London—
On demand 751
30 days' sight (private paper) 762
On Yokohama—
On demand 821
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per taal) \$61.60
Sovereign (Bank's buying rate) \$11.76
Silver (per oz.) 224
Bar Silver in Hongkong 67 p.
Chinese Copper Cash 1.74 p.
Copper Cent 1.24 p.
Rate of Native Interest 4.64 p.
Chinese Sub. C. 24 p.
Hongkong Sub. C. 16 p.

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Hongkong, December 14, 1908. — 1679

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS.

'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNERS.

STEAMSHIP BENLEIDL

FROM MIDDLESEERO, ANTWERP,
LONDON AND STRAITS.

Temperature.

Hongkong, Dec. 14, 1908.

BALOMETER— 9 A.M. 30.20

Do. 1 P.M. 30.14

Do. 4 P.M. 30.10

Thermometer— 9 A.M. 67

Do. 1 P.M. 68

Do. 4 P.M. 68

Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. 64

Do. Do. 1 P.M. 65

Do. Do. 4 P.M. 65

Do. Maximum 68

Do. Minimum over night 65

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SORE and swollen joints, sharp shooting
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Pain Balm has conquered it thousands of
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tunity is offered. Try it. One applica-
tion relieves the pain. For sale by all
chemists and storekeepers.

SHIPPING

ARRIVALS

December 12.

Kumero, British steamer, 4,000. Fred.

S. Cowley, Manila December 10, General.

Dowell & Co., Ltd.

Drifit, Norwegian str., 1,102. J. Bing.

Chinkung Dec. 6, General. — AGAAZED

Taomen & Co.

Kueichang, British str., 1,215. G. Hooker.

Tienkuo and Chefo Dec. 7, General.—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

December 13.

Hoiyung, British steamer, 1,363. A. E.

Higgins, Foochow and Amoy Dec. 12, Gen-

eral.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Taishan, Chinese str., 1,700. Klopper.

Shangli I. D. Co., 10, General.—C. M. S. N.

Co.

Quaria, German str., 1,116. H. Madson.

Munro (Banka Island) Dec. 1, Molasses.—

SANDER, WIELER & CO.

Nanchang, British str., 1,044. W. J.

Miller, Foochow Dec. 10, General.—

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Tessu Maru, Japanese str., 3,908. T. L.

Harrison, Seattle and Shanghai Dec. 10,

General.—NIKRO YUKIN KAISHA.

Samen, German str., 998. F. Schmitz.

Swatow, via Amoy, December 12, Rice.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Tetori Maru, Japanese str., 2,484. R.

Smith, Bomby and Singapore December

1. Twint, Onions and General.—NIKRO

YUKIN KAISHA.

Choyang, British str., 1,494. A. E.

Sandwich, Shanghai Dec. 9, and

General.—JADINE, MATTHEWS & CO.

Holstein, German str., 886. A. Mojahr.